



REMARKS

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication in the Advisory Action that the rejection of Claim 10 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) had been overcome by Applicants in their previous Amendment dated November 13, 2008. Consequently, only the rejection of Claims 9 and 11-15 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) based on U.S. Patent 5,789,430 ("Jautelat et al") and the cited Latteur et al article from *BioControl*, 47, 435-444 (2002) remains at issue.

Applicants have accordingly amended base Claim 9 to incorporate the limitations of Claim 10 and have canceled Claim 10 as redundant. In view of the withdrawal of the rejection of Claim 10, Applicants respectfully submit that they have traversed the rejection of Claim 9 and the dependent Claims 11-15.

In view of the preceding amendments and remarks, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

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